MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) The member is referred to the Proceedings of the Sri Mulam Assembly, dated the 15th November 1933.

(*b*) No one principle was exclusively followed. Many considerations were taken into account.

(*c*) To advise the Director of Public Instruction regarding the recommendations made by the Education Reforms Committee.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): With regard to the answer to part (*a*), may I know from the member whether he, on behalf of the Government, undertook, in the proceedings that he just referred to, to nominate only elected members from the Assembly and the Council?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): No.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Can I point out that he has undertaken to nominate from the elected members only?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): In view of the recommendations received from the Director, the Government are prepared to have 50 per cent. of the Advisory Board from the members of the Assembly and the State Council mainly from the elected members.

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The member has already read the reference and the Government in appointing the Advisory Board did not go beyond the Director and put only 50 per cent.

Nomination of members to the Education Advisory Board.

205. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many members there are in the Education Advisory Board altogether;

(*b*) how many of them are employed in the Government service;

(*c*) how many are employed in the grant-in-aid institutions of the State;

(*d*) how many are connected with or interested in the grant-in aid institutions in the State;

(*e*) how many are related to those employed in Government institutions; and

(*f*) whether the Director was advised by anybody or exercised his independent choice in the matter of selection of members to the Board?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Twenty.

(*b*) None.

(*c*) Three.

(*d*) Five.

(*e*) Information on the point is not available.

(*f*) The Director exercised his independent choice in making his recommendation to Government.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): With reference to part (*d*) of the answer, may I know whether the Director of Public Instruction has a list of the staff of aided schools, and of people in charge of the schools?

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MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): By people in charge, does the Member mean the managers?

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): No teachers and headmasters.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): With reference to part (*e*), may I know whether the Director keeps in his office a list of the members of the staff of aided schools?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know the reason why that information has not been furnished?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The information has been furnished in answer to part (*c*).

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know from the member how many are related to members from the aided schools.

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Information as to how many are related is not available.

Work of the Education Advisory Board.

206. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the Education Advisory Board met for the first time;

(*b*) how many meetings of the Board were held;

(*c*) how many members were present on each occasion;

(*d*) the members who were absent, and the reason or reasons for their absence;

(*e*) the proposals that were discussed in the Board meeting; and

(*f*) the proposals that were passed or adopted in the meeting or meetings?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) 20th December 1933.

(*b*) One.

(*c*) Eighteen including the Chairman and the Secretary.

(*d*) Mr. Changanachery K. Parameswaran Pillai B. A. & B.L. (out of station)

Mr. K. Sivarama Panickar B. A. L. T. (Illness).

Mr. A. Thanu Pillai B. A. B. L. (Illness)

Mr. C. M. Joseph (Another engagement).

(*e*) A copy of the * agenda for the meeting is placed on the table.

(*f*) The Board accepted the recommendations of the Committee in respect of all the items placed before them.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member whether in the discussion in the Board meeting the suggestions made by the members of the Assembly on the floor of the House were taken into consideration?

Vide Appendix X.

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